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SUBJECT: PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO PRESIDENT
ZAYID

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD
TO PRESIDENT ZAYID AT EARLIEST APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY.
2. QUOTE: YOUR HIGHNESS: AS YOU KNOW FROM MY PUBLIC
STATEMENT, WE ADMIRE AND SUPPORT THE RESPONSIBLE POSITION
YOUR GOVERNMENT TOOK AT THE OPEC MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE
IN DOHA. THE SAME SENSE OF LEADERSHIP WHICH YOU HAVE
SO ABLY DEMONSTRATED IN GUIDING YOUR COUNTRY IN ITS FIRST
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FIVE YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE WAS APPARENT IN YOUR DECISION
TO RESIST PRESSURES FOR THE HIGHER PRICE RISE. WHILE
I REGRET THAT THE OTHER OPEC NATIONS, WITH THE EXCEPTION
OF SAUDI ARABIA, DID NOT ACT WITH AN EQUAL AWARENESS OF
THE INTERDEPENDENCE AMONG NATIONS AND THE RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN THE PRICE OF OIL AND THE HEALTH OF THE WORLD

ECONOMY, I AM HEARTENED BY YOUR ATTITUDE AND THE COURAGE WHICH YOU DISPLAYED IN MAINTAINING IT.

I KNOW THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND OTHERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD APPLAUD YOUR FARSIGHTEDNESS AND DEDICATION TO THE CAUSE OF GLOBAL COOPERATION WHICH BOTH OUR NATIONS SEEK. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL, FOR ITS PART, CONTINUE TO WORK FOR THE SOLUTION OF GLOBAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WITHIN A FRAMEWORK OF COOPERATION RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION. THE UNITED STATES WILL ALSO ENERGETICALLY PURSUE ITS EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT FURTHER PROGRESS IN THIS COMING YEAR TOWARD OUR SHARED OBJECTIVE OF A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. WITH VERY BEST WISHES, GERALD R. FORD.

HIS HIGHNESS
ZAYID BIN SULTAN AL-NUHAYAN
PRESIDENT
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
ABU DHABI

END QUOTE.
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